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# OHIO

## WEEKLY CROP - PROGRESS SUMMARY

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### OHIO CROP WEATHER HIGHLIGHTS

The average temperature for the State was 75.3 degrees, 3.9 degrees above normal for the week ending Sunday, July 3, 2005. Precipitation averaged 1.25 inches, 0.08 inches above normal. There were 172 modified growing degree days during the week, 24 degree days above normal.

Reporters rated 5.4 days suitable for fieldwork during the seven-day period ending Friday, July 1, 2005. Days suitable for field work were down 1.5 days from last week, but up 0.6 days from last year. Compared to the 2000-2004 average, the current week is down 0.1 days. Topsoil moisture was rated 15 percent very short, 32 percent short, 48 percent adequate, and 5 percent surplus.

#### Days Suitable

	Current week	Previous week	Since 1 <sup>st</sup> week of April
2005	5.4	6.9	61.6
2004	4.8	0.8	39.3
2000-2004 Average	5.5	3.2	43.5

#### Topsoil Moisture

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Current Week	15	32	48	5
Last Week	18	56	26	0
Same Week Last Year	0	2	60	38
2000-2004 Average	1	12	69	18

### CROP PROGRESS AND FIELD ACTIVITIES WEEK ENDING SUNDAY, JULY 3, 2005

Reporters estimate that 98 percent of the **winter wheat** is turning color, which is the same as the five-year average. Thirty-eight percent of winter wheat is reported as ripe, which is 5 days behind last year and 2 days behind the five-

year average. Reporters estimate that 2 percent of the winter wheat is harvested, 6 days behind last year and 6 days behind the five-year average. **Soybeans** are reported as 24 percent blooming, which is 2 days ahead of last year and 4 days ahead of the five-year average. Respondents estimate that 94 percent of the **oats** are headed. This is 1 day ahead of last year and 2 days ahead of the five-year average. Oats are reported as 2 percent ripe, which is 8 days behind last year and 6 days behind the five-year average. **Strawberries** are 91percent harvested which is 9 days behind last year and 5 days behind the five-year average. **Cucumbers** are reported to be 96 percent planted, which is 15 days ahead of last year and 10 days ahead of the five-year average.

Crop weather reporters estimate that the second **alfalfa hay** cutting is 35 percent complete; this is 9 days ahead of last year, and 8 days ahead of the five-year average. **Other hay** 1<sup>st</sup> cutting is estimated at 97 percent complete. This is 10 days ahead of last year, and 13 days ahead the 2000-2004 average. The second cutting of other hay is reported at 16 percent, which is ahead 9 days from last year and 6 days ahead of the five-year average.

The last week has been hot and dry, most areas have received some rain and can use more rain. Temperatures have also been very high, averaging four degrees above normal. Main farm activities for the week have been herbicide application, hay making, mowing weeds, sidedressing corn, and preparing for winter wheat harvest. Livestock are showing signs of heat stress, milk production is suffering in southern counties.

### CROP AND LIVESTOCK CONDITION

The percentage of hay acreage rated in good-to-excellent condition is 64, a drop of 9 percentage points from last week. The percentage of the winter wheat acreage rated good-to-excellent remained the same as last week at 76. Fifty-three percent of pasture conditions are rated good-to-excellent, a drop of 9 percentage points from last week.

### PERCENT PROGRESS OF CROPS FOR THE WEEK ENDING SUNDAY JULY 3

Crop	2005	2004	2000-2004 Avg	Previous Week Ohio	U.S.
Alfalfa Hay 2 <sup>nd</sup> cutting	35	14	18	12	NA
Cucumbers Planted	96	69	86	88	NA
Oats Headed	94	92	91	81	65
Oats Ripe	2	5	5	1	NA
Other Hay 1 <sup>st</sup> cutting	97	84	88	86	NA
Other Hay 2 <sup>nd</sup> cutting	16	6	8	5	NA
Soybeans Blooming	24	20	13	5	6
Strawberries Harvested	91	100	96	80	NA
Winter Wheat Turning Color	98	100	98	85	NA
Winter Wheat Ripe	38	76	53	3	NA
Winter Wheat Harvested	2	29	15	NA	48

PERCENT CONDITION OF MAJOR CROPS FOR THE WEEK ENDING JULY 3

CORN	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Current Week	3	10	33	44	10
Previous Week	3	10	33	44	10
Previous Year	3	10	24	46	17
HAY	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Current Week	4	6	26	51	13
Previous Week	1	4	22	57	16
Previous Year	5	15	29	41	10
OATS	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Current Week	1	8	31	48	12
Previous Week	1	5	28	55	11
Previous Year	3	13	26	49	9
PASTURE	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Current Week	5	9	33	44	9
Previous Week	2	9	27	55	7
Previous Year	1	6	27	52	14
SOYBEANS	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Current Week	2	8	32	47	11
Previous Week	2	6	30	51	11
Previous Year	5	11	31	43	10
STRAWBERRIES	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Current Week	0	8	19	49	24
Previous Week	1	6	21	47	25
Previous Year	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
WINTER WHEAT	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Current Week	1	3	20	56	20
Previous Week	0	3	20	56	21
Previous Year	3	9	35	42	11

WEATHER SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING SUNDAY JULY 3

	Temperature		Precipitation				Growing Degree Days <sup>1/</sup>			
Region	Last Week	Dev.	Last Week	Dev.	Since Apr.1	Dev.	Last Week	Dev.	Since Apr.1	Dev.
Northwest	75.0	3.5	0.78	-0.29	7.02	-4.19	171	23	1249	73
North Central	75.2	4.2	0.92	-0.16	9.46	-2.05	171	26	1218	79
Northeast	74.0	4.7	0.72	-0.36	10.48	-1.10	164	29	1136	61
West Central	75.2	3.1	1.43	0.08	9.55	-3.00	173	21	1294	56
Central	75.8	3.8	1.62	0.36	10.15	-2.28	174	23	1302	43
Central Hills	74.7	4.5	1.40	0.17	10.15	-2.14	170	29	1222	71
Northeast Hills	74.2	4.0	0.77	-0.42	9.83	-2.21	167	26	1201	30
Southwest	76.2	3.2	1.77	0.65	9.74	-3.68	177	19	1341	20
South Central	76.8	4.2	1.32	0.17	9.82	-2.23	176	22	1392	36
Southeast	75.5	4.3	1.51	0.33	10.31	-1.80	172	25	1289	28
STATE	75.3	3.9	1.25	0.08	9.61	-2.52	172	24	1271	48

1/ Modified Growing degree days, base 50 - ceiling 86.

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